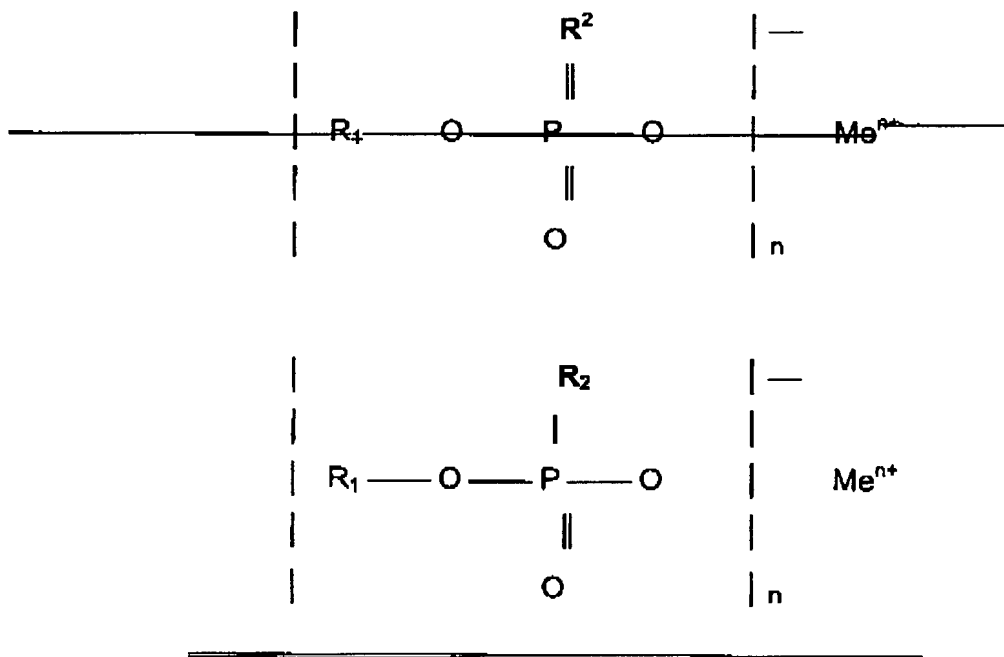


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Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the equation found at column 8, lines 27-36, as follows:



Please amend the paragraph found at Column 8, lines 46-51, as follows:

Where R₁ is selected from the group consisting of H, K, an alkyl radical containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms, halogen-substituted alkyl or nitro-substituted alkyl radical, an alkenyl, halogen-substituted alkenyl, alkynyl ~~alkinyl~~, halogen-substituted alkynyl ~~alkinyl~~; alkoxy-substituted alkyl radical, and ammonium substituted by alkyl or hydroxy alkyl radicals;

R₂ and R₃ are selected from a group consisting of H and K;

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Me is selected from a group consisting of K₊; alkaline earth metal cations, aluminum atom, ammonium cation; and n is a number from 1 to 3, equal to the valence of Me.